

November 10, 2015  
Charleston, SC

A regular meeting of County Council of Charleston County was held on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2015, in the Beverly T. Craven Council Chambers, Second Floor of the Lonnie Hamilton, III Public Services Building, located at 4045 Bridge View Drive, North Charleston, South Carolina.

Present at the meeting were the following members of Council: Chairman J. Elliott Summey, who presided; Colleen T. Condon; Henry E. Darby; Anna B. Johnson; Teddie E. Pryor, Sr.; Joseph K. Qualey; A. Victor Rawl; Herbert R. Sass, III; and Dickie Schweers.

Also present were County Administrator Keith Bustraan and County Attorney Joseph Dawson.

Rev. Robert Reid gave the invocation and Mr. Qualey led in the pledge to the flag.

Chairman Summey called for a moment of silence in memory of Bridgette Collins, a 24-year old Charleston County 9-1-1 dispatcher, who passed away over the weekend due to complications following a cardiac arrest.

The Clerk reported that in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act, notice of meetings and agendas were furnished to all news media and persons requesting notification.

Ms. Condon moved approval of the Minutes of October 20, 2015, seconded by Mr. Pryor and carried.

Mr. Pryor moved approval of resolutions and recognitions, seconded by Mr. Rawl, and carried unanimously.

The Chairman announced that the third item on the agenda was recognitions.

Chairman Summey asked Public Works Director Jim Neal to make a presentation regarding awards received at the SC APWA Annual Conference. Mr. Neal recognized Matthew Bishop, who won the State Backhoe Rodeo on November 1, 2015, at the South Carolina APWA Annual Conference in Myrtle Beach, SC, and Matthew Fountain, who won the Poster Contest for that same conference. The Chairman presented each of these gentlemen a Charleston County challenge coin.

The Chairman recognized EMS Paramedics Liz Rowell and Taylor Fitch for their professionalism in the Crosby's Seafood dock collapse incident and stated that the staff at the Roper Hospital Emergency Room had reached out to the County to say how impressed they were with the caring compassion these two paramedics showed to the victims that evening. The Chairman presented each paramedic with a Charleston County challenge coin.

Mr. Pryor requested that the Inmate Medical Services item be considered next. The Chairman agreed. A report was furnished by the Finance Committee under date of

November 5, 2015, that it considered the information furnished by County Administrator Keith Bustraan and Contracts and Procurement Director Barrett J. Tolbert regarding the need to award a contract for Inmate Medical Services. It was stated that sealed bids for received for Inmate Medical Service for the Sheriff Al Cannon Detention Center Detention Center. Bids were received from Armor Correctional Health Services, Inc., the Center for Occupational Health and Correct Care Solutions. It was shown that a committee reviewed the proposals submitted by the above firms and evaluated the capabilities and qualifications of each firm, and that based on the proposals submitted, the Committee determined Correct Care Solutions to be the most advantageous to the County.

This item was sent to Council with no recommendation.

Mr. Pryor stated that he studied this item over the weekend and he believed continuing with CCOH would be most advantageous to Charleston County. Mr. Pryor moved to enter into negotiations with CCOH to continue to provide Inmate Medical Services for a 5-year contract. The motion was seconded by Ms. Condon, and carried. Messrs. Qualey, Sass, and Schweers voted against the motion.

The next item on the agenda was Chicora Life Center, LLC. Mr. Qualey moved to terminate the lease for 3600 Rivers Avenue between Chicora Life Center, LLC, and Charleston County. On May 8, 2015, the County notified Chicora Life Center in response to Chicora's ready for occupancy letter dated May 1, 2015, that it had 30 days to complete the tentative list of improvements pursuant to Article 19 "Events of Default of the Lease for 3600 Rivers Avenue". On August 26, 2015, Charleston County provided a second notification to Chicora that if Chicora had not cured its default fulfilling the pre-conditions by November 1, 2015, the County would consider Chicora in breach of the contract. Since Chicora has not cured its default, I move to terminate the lease for 3600 Rivers Avenue dated June 30, 2014, between Charleston County and Chicora Life Center. Ms. Condon seconded the motion.

Mr. Pryor requested Executive Session to receive legal advice. Mr. Qualey stated that there was a motion on the floor.

Mr. Pryor asked Mr. Dawson what were the ramifications of terminating the lease. Mr. Dawson stated that he would not advise Council to demand he give legal advice about potential litigation matters in open session.

Chairman Summey asked if a motion for Executive Session would supersede the motion on the floor. Mr. Dawson stated that it would not, but he would hope Council would grant unanimous consent for Executive Session so he could properly give advice on the matter on the floor.

Mr. Schweers stated that in the absence of Executive Session, he would not vote for the motion.

The Chairman asked if Mr. Qualey and Ms. Condon, the motion makers, would agree to allow Executive Session. Mr. Qualey stated that he would prefer to defer the matter due to a pending family matter he needed to attend that night and if Council went into

Executive Session, chances were great he would miss that function.

Mr. Qualey withdrew his original motion and moved to defer this matter. The motion was seconded by Ms. Condon. The Chairman called for a roll call vote. The roll was called and votes were recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- nay
Johnson	- nay
Pryor	- nay
Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- nay
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye

The Chairman declared that the motion to defer had passed.

Mr. Qualey stated that he would like to move to approve his first motion. The Chairman stated that the motion to defer had passed so the item was deferred and Mr. Qualey's motion was out of order.

An ordinance approving ZLDR Amendments to allow LED Billboards was given third reading by title only.

The Chairman called for a roll call vote on third reading of the ordinance. The roll was called and votes were recorded as follows:

Condon	- aye
Darby	- aye
Johnson	- aye
Pryor	- aye
Qualey	- aye
Rawl	- aye
Sass	- aye
Schweers	- aye
Summey	- aye

The vote being nine (9) ayes, the Chairman declared the ordinance to have received third reading.

The ordinance is as follows:

**AN ORDINANCE  
AMENDING THE CHARLESTON COUNTY ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT  
REGULATIONS ORDINANCE, NUMBER 1202, AS AMENDED: CHAPTER 9,  
DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS, AND CHAPTER 12, DEFINITIONS.**

WHEREAS, the South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning

Enabling Act of 1994, Section 6-29-310 et seq., of the South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, as amended, authorizes the County of Charleston to enact or amend its zoning and land development regulations to guide development in accordance with existing and future needs and in order to protect, promote and improve the public health, safety, and general welfare; and

WHEREAS, the Charleston County Planning Commission has reviewed the proposed amendments of the text of various chapters of the Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance (ZLDR) in accordance with the procedures established in South Carolina law and the ZLDR and has recommended that the Charleston County Council (County Council) adopt the proposed amendments of the text of the ZLDR as set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, upon receipt of the recommendation of the Planning Commission, County Council held at least one public hearing, and after close of the public hearing, County Council approved the proposed text amendments based on the Approval Criteria of Section 3.3.6 of Article 3.3 of the ZLDR; and

WHEREAS, County Council has determined the proposed text amendments meet the following criteria:

- A. The proposed amendment corrects an error or inconsistency or meets the challenge of a changing condition; and
- B. The proposed amendment is consistent with the adopted Charleston County Comprehensive Plan and goals as stated in Article 1.5; and
- C. The proposed amendment is to further the public welfare in any other regard specified by County Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, be ordained it by the Charleston County Council in meeting duly assembled as follows:

**SECTION I. FINDINGS INCORPORATED**

The above recitals and findings are incorporated herein by reference and made a part of this Ordinance.

**SECTION II. AMENDMENTS OF THE TEXT OF THE ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ORDINANCE**

The Charleston County Zoning and Land Development Regulations Ordinance is hereby amended to include the text amendments attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made part of this Ordinance by reference.

**SECTION III. SEVERABILITY**

If, for any reason, any part of this Ordinance is invalidated by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remaining portions of this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION IV. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately following third reading by County Council.

ADOPTED and APPROVED in meeting duly assembled this 10th day of November, 2015.

CHARLESTON COUNTY COUNCIL

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
J. Elliott Summey  
Chairman of Charleston County Council

ATTEST:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Beverly T. Craven  
Clerk to Charleston County Council

First Reading: October 13, 2015  
Second Reading: October 27, 2015  
Third Reading: November 10, 2015

**EXHIBIT "A"**

**AMENDING THE CHARLESTON COUNTY ZONING AND LAND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS ordinance, number 1202, AS AMENDED: Chapter 9, Development Standards and Chapter 12, Definitions.**

**Chapter 9, Development Standards**

**A.** Outdoor Advertising of America Standards  
All Billboards shall be constructed in compliance with Outdoor Advertising of America Standards.

**B.** Location and Setbacks

Billboards shall be allowed in those zoning districts indicated in Chapter 6.

TABLE 9.11.5-D, BILLBOARDS

<b>Maximum Length</b>	48 ft.
<b>Maximum Width</b>	14 ft.
<b>Maximum Area</b>	672 sq. ft.
<b>Maximum Height</b>	40 ft.
<b>Minimum Setback</b> <i>(from property boundary and above ground utility)</i>	25/20 ft.
<b>Location Criteria</b>	
Minimum distance to nearest billboard	1,000 ft.
Minimum distance to nearest on-premises sign <i>(excluding signs located on the subject parcel)</i>	500 ft.

**C. Orientation**

1. Signs shall face a maximum of two directions, and may be mounted back to back or V'ed.
2. Where signs are V'ed, the space between panels shall not exceed three feet at the point at which panels are closest, and the interior angle formed by signs shall not exceed 90 degrees.

**D. Compatible Size Signs**

Where signs face two directions, whether back to back or V'ed, both signs must be the same standard size.

**E. Nonconforming Signs**

Refer to Chapter 10, Nonconformities.

**I. Digital or Electronic Billboards**

Digital or Electronic Billboards may be permitted in the Industrial Zoning Districts, provided that documentation of compliance with all applicable sections of this Ordinance and documentation that the billboard meets the following standards have been submitted:

1. All messages, images or displays on a digital or electronically changing billboard shall remain unchanged for a minimum of (8) eight seconds;

2. There shall be no appearance of flashing or sudden bursts of light, and no appearance of video motion, animation, scrolling, movement of flow of the message, image or display;
3. The digital or electronic billboard shall automatically provide day and night dimming to reduce the illumination intensity of the sign from one hour after sunset, to one hour prior to sunrise; and
4. Proof of approval of the digital or electronic billboard by the South Carolina Department of Transportation.

## **Chapter 12, Definitions**

Digital or Electronic Changing Billboard (Outdoor Advertising Structure): A Billboard designed to accommodate frequent message changes composed of images, characters or letters that can be changed electronically utilizing digital or light emitting diodes (LED's) or similar electronic methods to create a changeable image display area without altering the face or the surface of such sign.

Standard Billboard (Outdoor Advertising Structure): A Billboard designed to accommodate messages composed of non- digital or electronic copy that utilizes wrapped posters, 30 sheet posters, and eight sheet posters.

A report was furnished by the Planning/Public Works Committee under date of November 5, 2015, that it considered the information furnished by County Administrator Keith Bustraan and Zoning and Planning Director Joel Evans regarding requested amendments to the Charleston County Code of Ordinances pertaining to parking recreational vehicles in rights-of-way. It was stated that at its meeting of August 25, 2015, County Council directed staff to investigate ways to regulate the parking and storage of Recreational Vehicles and similar vehicles in rights-of-way. Attached are proposed amendments to the County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 20, Traffic and Motor Vehicles, Article II, Parking, to address the above stated directive of Council.

It was shown that the proposed regulations prohibit the parking of recreational vehicles, trailers, and other large vehicles (other than cars) in the right-of-way for long periods of time. The amendments allow such vehicles to be parked in the right-of-way temporarily when being loaded or unloaded, in cases of accidents or breakdowns, etc. When such vehicles are parked in the right-of-way for long periods of time, they can obstruct vision of traffic and cause other safety issues.

Committee recommended that Council approve and give first reading to amendments to the Charleston County Code of Ordinances to prohibit the parking of recreational vehicles, trailers, and other large vehicles (other than cars) in the right-of-way for long periods of time.

Mr. Pryor moved to approve the Committee recommendation, seconded by Mr. Sass, and carried.

An ordinance approving parking regulations prohibiting the storage of recreational vehicles in rights-of-way was given first reading by title only.

The ordinance title is as follows:

**AN ORDINANCE  
AMENDING THE CHARLESTON COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES SO AS TO ADD  
A NEW SECTION 20-18, REGULATING PARKING OF CERTAIN TRAILERS, MOTOR  
HOMES, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, AND THE LIKE.**

The ordinance in its entirety will appear in the Minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

The next item on the agenda was the Consent Agenda. Mr. Pryor moved approval of the Consent Agenda, seconded by Mr. Rawl, and carried.

Consent Agenda items are as follows:

A report was furnished by the Finance Committee under date of November 5, 2015, that it considered the information furnished by County Administrator Keith Bustraan and Charleston County Sheriff J. Al Cannon, Jr., regarding a grant received from the Ernest F. Kennedy Center. It was stated that the Ernest F. Kennedy Center is a private, non-profit organization based in Moncks Corner, SC, which is designated as a county substance abuse provider by the South Carolina Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Service (SC DAODAS).

It was shown that the Kennedy Center is partnering with the Charleston County Sheriff's Office (CCSO) to reduce underage drinking and underage smoking. CCSO is the lead agency for the Ninth Judicial Circuit's Alcohol Enforcement Team Grant. This funding is a sub-award from the federal Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) block grant prevention funds. The CCSO has been sub-awarded \$1,500.00 of these funds to use for the enforcement of underage drinking and smoking laws.

The funds were remitted to the CCSO on October 15, 2015, were available for expenditure as of that date, and have no stated expiration date.

There are no FTE's requested in this funding and no match is required.

Committee recommended that Council allow the Sheriff's Office to accept pass-through federal CSAP funding of \$1,500.00 from The Ernest F. Kennedy Center to use for the enforcement of underage drinking and smoking laws with the understanding that the funding was available for expenditure as of October 15, 2015, and has no stated expiration date and neither FTE's nor matching funds are associated with this funding.

A report was furnished by the Finance Committee under date of November 5, 2015, that it considered the information furnished by County Administrator Keith Bustraan and Samuel W. Howell, Esquire, attorney for the Ashley Hall Foundation, regarding a request that Council to adopt a resolution supporting the refunding of Ashley Hall Foundation

JEDA Bond in an amount not exceeding \$19,000,000.

Committee recommended that Council, following a public hearing on the matter, adopt a resolution in support of the issuance by the South Carolina Jobs-Economic Development Authority of its Economic Development Revenue Refunding bond (Ashley Hall Foundation), pursuant to the provisions of title 41, chapter 43 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina 1976, as amended, in the aggregate principal amount of not exceeding \$19,000,000.

A report was furnished by the Finance Committee under date of November 5, 2015, that it considered the information furnished by County Administrator Keith Bustraan and Contracts and Procurement Director Barrett J. Tolbert regarding the need to award a contract for the Charleston County Transportation Committee (CTC) 2015 Resurfacing Project. It was stated that the project shall include traffic control, milling, surface preparation, asphalt resurfacing, striping and associated appurtenances of various local paved roadways within the boundaries of Charleston County. The approximate total project length is 20.77 miles.

It was shown that bids were received in accordance with the terms and conditions of Invitation for Bid No. 5007-16C. State "C" Fund regulations do not allow Small Business Enterprise (SBE) or local preference goals.

<b>Bidder</b>	<b>Total Bid Price</b>	<b>DBE Percentage</b>
<b>Sanders Brothers Construction North Charleston, South Carolina 29419 Principal: Chris M. Davis</b>	<b>\$3,936,938.15</b>	<b>10.34%</b>
Banks Construction Company North Charleston, South Carolina 29418 Principal: Jafar Moghadam	\$4,116,867.60	<b>10.19%</b>

Committee recommended that Council, acting as agent for the Charleston County Transportation Committee (CTC), authorize award of a contract for the CTC 2015 Resurfacing Project, to Sanders Brothers Construction, the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, satisfying all specifications, in the amount of \$3,936,938.15, with the understanding that funding is available through the State "C" Fund for road improvements.

A report was furnished by the Finance Committee under date of November 5, 2015, that it considered the information furnished by County Administrator Keith Bustraan and Contracts and Procurement Director Barrett J. Tolbert regarding the need to award a sole source procurement request to 18 X Series ACLS Manual Defibrillators. It was stated that these items will go on the new Charleston County ambulances, and the purchase of these items was approved in the Fiscal Year 2016 budget, in the amount of \$775,995.80.

It was shown that the X Series ACLS Manual Zoll Defibrillators is an upgraded version of

the E Series Defibrillators that are no longer being manufactured. The X Series Defibrillators are easy to operate, reliable, and fills the minimum needs required by the American Heart Association. For heart attack victims, these defibrillators will transmit patient's vital information from the field to hospital personnel for review and hospital personnel can have additional services administered if necessary before the patient's arrival at the hospital. Zoll Medical Corporation has no authorized distributors and is the only source for these items, and purchasing these defibrillators is a continuation of standardizing equipment that is currently being used by Charleston County emergency personnel.

Committee recommended that Council authorize award of the sole source procurement for Emergency Medical Services to purchase defibrillators from Zoll Medical Corporation, in the amount of \$775,995.80, with the understanding that funds are available in the FY16 Emergency Medical Services budget.

The previous item was the last item on the Consent Agenda.

A report was furnished by the Finance Committee under date of November 5, 2015, that it considered the information furnished by County Administrator Keith Bustraan and Environmental Management Interim Director Robert Lawing regarding the need to approve easements at Bees Ferry Landfill. It was stated that Council previously approved for staff to negotiate with Charleston Water System (CWS) and South Carolina Electric & Gas (SCE&G) for easements to be granted by the County on a portion of the Bees Ferry Landfill property for a new sewer line and associated electrical work. It was shown that CWS proposes to construct more than half of the sewer line at their expense contingent upon the County providing the easements, and the CWS portion of the sewer line would be sized to not only handle our leachate but also sewer from future developments, which will reduce our cost to construct the sewer line by approximately \$200,000 and our operating cost of approximately \$30,000 per year for transporting leachate from the municipal solid waste landfill will be eliminated. It was also shown that in addition to granting two new easements, part of an existing SCE&G easement that will no longer be needed will be abandoned.

Committee recommended that Council:

1. Approve and give first reading to ordinances granting easements to CWS and SCE&G and abandoning a portion of an existing SCE&G easement.
2. Authorize the Chairman of County Council to execute an agreement with CWS for two temporary easements and one permanent easement of varying widths along the lengths of the easements with SCE&G for a 20 foot wide easement along the length of the easement and with SCE&G for an abandonment of a portion of a 20 foot wide easement along the length of the easement located at County owned property located at 1344 Bees Ferry Road, TMS 301-00-00-026 and with the understanding that all documents are to be approved by the Legal Department.

Mr. Pryor moved approval of the committee recommendation, seconded by Mr. Rawl,

and carried.

The three ordinances were given first reading by title only.

**AN ORDINANCE**

**TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE GRANT OF TWO TEMPORARY EASEMENTS TO CHARLESTON WATER SYSTEM ON A PORTION OF COUNTY PROPERTY, LOCATED AT 1344 BEES FERRY ROAD, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP PARCEL NUMBER 301-00-00-026**

**AN ORDINANCE**

**TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE GRANT OF AN EASEMENT TO CHARLESTON WATER SYSTEM ON A PORTION OF COUNTY PROPERTY, LOCATED AT 1344 BEES FERRY ROAD, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP PARCEL NUMBER 301-00-00-026**

**AN ORDINANCE**

**TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE GRANT OF AN EASEMENT TO SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY ON A PORTION OF COUNTY PROPERTY, LOCATED AT 1344 BEES FERRY ROAD, CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA, IDENTIFIED AS TAX MAP PARCEL NUMBER 301-00-00-026, AND ACKNOWLEDGE SOUTH CAROLINA ELECTRIC AND GAS COMPANY'S ABANDONMENT OF A PORTION OF AN EASEMENT LOCATED ON THE SAME PROPERTY.**

The ordinances in their entirety will appear in the Minutes of Charleston County Council at the time of third reading.

A report was furnished by the Finance Committee under date of November 5, 2015, that it considered the information furnished by County Administrator Keith Bustraan and Contracts and Procurement Director Barrett J. Tolbert regarding the need to award a contract for the assessment of damages resulting in connection with flooding and federal regulations. It was stated that sealed qualifications were received for a professional consultant experienced in roadway and drainage system assessments in connection with damages resulting from flooding and the federal declaration made October 5, 2015.

It was shown that qualifications were received from the following firms.

**CB&I Environmental & Infrastructure, Inc.  
Disaster Strategies & Ideas Group, LLC  
Services, Inc.  
GP Strategies Corporation  
HDR Engineering Inc. of the Carolinas**

**Rostan Solutions, LLC  
Stantec Consulting**

**Tetra Tech, Inc.  
T. Y. Lin International d/b/a  
Lindbergh &**

**Associaates, LLC**

A committee reviewed the submittals from the above firms and evaluated the capabilities and qualifications and based on information submitted, the Committee determined

Rostan Solutions, LLC to be the most advantageous to the County.

Committee recommended that Council authorize award of contract for a professional consultant experienced in roadway and drainage system assessment in connection with damages resulting from flooding and the federal declaration made October 5, 2015 to the most qualified offeror, Rostan Solutions, LLC, with the understanding that all documents will be approved by the County Attorney's Office.

Mr. Pryor moved approval of the Committee recommendation. The motion was seconded by Ms. Johnson.

Mr. Rawl asked if a portion of the cost of this service would be reimbursed by FEMA. Mr. Bustraan stated that it should be.

Mr. Sass asked for confirmation that a committee had reviewed the proposals of all the vendors and chosen this firm to be the best fit for the County's needs. Mr. Bustraan confirmed.

A vote on the motion was taken and the motion passed.

Chairman Summey recognized State Representative Seth Whipper and City of Charleston Councilman Dean Riegel in the audience and thanked both gentlemen for their service.

The Chairman asked if any member of Council wished to bring a matter before the Body.

Mr. Rawl stated that a memorandum had been distributed by Mr. Dawson in reference to updates he was requested to provide to Council by the County Administrator regarding the Environmental Management Department. Mr. Rawl requested background material for the memo submitted. Mr. Dawson stated that he needed clarification and would speak to Judge Rawl after the meeting. Mr. Rawl stated that in the memorandum Mr. Dawson had made assertions, gave advice, and told Council what was going on. He said that the staff was talked to and that recommendation and advice had been given to staff. Who was talked to, when were they talked to, and what advice was given? He also requested the backup material in terms of financial documentation, contracts, and otherwise were used to base the memorandum on.

Mr. Pryor stated that he takes his job as a Council Member seriously and that Council is given the dates and times of the Council meetings a year ahead of time and that he wished every Council Member was regularly able to attend the entire meeting. He stated that he thought it was disingenuous for people to leave meetings early or asking for items to be moved on the agenda or deferred to fit their schedule. He stated that in his 11 years on Council, he had never missed a meeting because he took this job so seriously. Mr. Pryor also thanked the staff at CCOH for their past service and stated that he appreciated their willingness to continue to work with Charleston County at the jail.

Chairman Summey stated that he did not disagree with either of Mr. Pryor's statements.

Ms. Johnson stated that she received a call from a citizen of Wadmalaw Island so on her

way to the meeting she drove around Wadmalaw Island and noticed the flooding on Maybank Highway, Liberia Road, and Bear Swamp Road and would get the information to Transportation Development and Public Works for investigation after the meeting. She also stated that she would like a study to be done regarding the drainage issues.

Chairman Summey agreed with Ms. Johnson and said that what someone earlier had referred to as "that little storm over the weekend" had actually produced more than 7 inches of rain in a couple of days so the issue is not necessarily that we are just getting rain, but the volume of rain in a short period of time and the infrastructure is not equipped to handle it.

Mr. Darby spoke about the strange inconsistencies that have existed in America from its creation and that even on Council there exist some strange inconsistencies. He stated that he did not understand Council's rush to approve Spring Grove, which will primarily benefit the rich, yet are also in a rush to kill a project which will primarily benefit the poor.

In response to Mr. Darby's comments, Ms. Condon stated that it wasn't that Council did not have compassion or want to serve those in need because the people would be served and that the idea of a social services hub is ideal, but that she had no confidence that the Naval Hospital project would ever be completed in a manner which would allow the County to best serve its citizens.

Ms. Condon also thanked Environmental Management, County Attorney, and Public Information staff for their work on the MRF groundbreaking ceremony.

Mr. Pryor encouraged Mr. Darby to keep doing what he believed was right.

Mr. Darby apologized to Mr. Armstrong for the comments made by citizens tonight and stated that if the public deserved to be angry with anyone it was County Council and not its competent, professional staff.

There being no further business to come before the Body, the Chairman declared the meeting to be adjourned.

Kristen L. Salisbury  
Deputy Clerk  
Charleston County Council